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Setting up of Weavers Service Centres
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the objectives of setting up of Weavers Service Centres in the country;

(b) whether the Government has set up or proposes to set up Weavers Service Centres at Surat, Rajkot and other places of the country ;

(c) if so, the details thereof during the Twelfth Five Year Plan, State-wise; and

(d) whether any preference is being given to textile manufacturing centres in the country including Suraj-Rajkot and Ahmedabad and if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): Weavers Service Centres (WSCs) are the technical wings of Office of Development Commissioner for Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles which render technical assistance to the handloom industry by way of research, service & training for its development. Presently, 28 WSCs are functioning from across the country and these are playing a vital role in imparting training to the weavers of the country to upgrade their skill and increase productivity in the handloom sector. These are the instrumental in evolving innumerable new design & reviving traditional designs.

(b) to (d): In pursuance of budget speech 2012-13, three new WSCs one each in the states of Jharkhand, Nagaland and Mizoram, have been set up during 12th Plan. Since a WSC is already functioning from Ahmedabad (Gujarat), setting up of WSC at Surat, Rajkot is not under the consideration of Government.
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